



The Marque

"All the news that's fit to soak up oil"



Caption Contest - you can do this!

March 2022

Events this month:

- 2 - Membership Meeting
- 12 - MVT Awards Banquet
- 17 - TRA 2023 Committee Meeting
- 26 - Tech Session

In This Marque

- Boring Officer's Reports
- Exciting Events Calendar
- Tech Articles Galore - okay, maybe not galore...

- THE MVT Store (please buy stuff from Harry, he is feeling lonely)
- Classifieds

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MVT Club Info

Miami Valley Triumphs is a non-profit club founded to preserve and enjoy Triumph and Standard automobiles. You do not have to own a Triumph or Standard to be in the club, just be interested in the preservation of the marque. For more info on joining the club and dues please contact the MVT Membership Chair (contact info below).

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Club Website:
<https://www.miamivalleytriumphs.org/>

We are also on **Facebook** at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1654893204751113/> - this is a closed group so you will need to request joining.

Please send comments/suggestions to: miamivalleytriumphs@gmail.com or to the PO Box.

Cutoff date for next month's Marque is the 25th of the month or when the editor screams...

MVT is a Chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register (<http://vintagetriumphregister.org/>) and Center of the Triumph Register of America (<http://triumphregister.com/>). We actively participate in activities of these clubs and their endeavors to preserve the marque. In addition to the above national clubs you also might want to check out 6-Pack (TR6/TR-250) <http://www.6-pack.org/j15/> and the North American Spitfire Squadron for Triumph Spitfire and GT6 owners <http://www.nasshq.org/>. Yearly dues are \$20 due in May each year.

MVT Monthly Meeting

MVT Monthly Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at **Archers Tavern Kettering**, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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MVT Elections

MVT Elections for both officers and for club awards have started and will complete before the MVT Awards Banquet in March. The following are the current nominations for officers and awards.

Officers & Awards Voting

Nominations have closed for officers and for award nominees at the February meeting. Voting for any position where there is more than one nominee will commence with this email and end at the conclusion of the March meeting where people can submit paper ballots (attached) if they do not submit by email. It is the responsibility of the secretary, Clyde Collins, to collect and count any ballots. For those positions where only one person was nominated, he will officially cast one ballot for that person at the March meeting to officially elect

them. On the other hand, the results for any position with more than one candidate will only be announced at the March banquet.

Current positions for Officers and Awards with only one nominee (to be elected via secretary's vote)

Officers

- President – John Coutant
- Treasurer – Harry Mague
- Secretary – Clyde Collins

Awards

- Marque of Distinction – Bruce Clough (due to contributions as Marque editor and Events Tsar)
- Most Improved – Jeff John (for progress on his TR3)

Voting required for the following positions by:

1. Sending an email to Clyde Collins CLYDEYA@gmail.com indicating your choice for 1 of the 2 candidates for Keep It on the Road, and for 1 of the 2 candidates for Press on Regardless awards.
2. Printing and filling out the attached paper ballot and bringing it to the March meeting and giving it to Clyde.

Remember each family membership is allowed two votes so both members are encouraged to vote. More detail on candidates in the recent Marque.

Awards with multiple nominees

Keep It on the Road

- John Clifford - for driving and enjoying their TR8, which made it to multiple club events, as well as national events, this last year.
- Stan Seto - for the thousands of miles he puts on his TR3 by joining the FOG group in their annual pilgrimages.

Press on Regardless

- Chuck White - During the July drive the upper and lower steering shaft became disconnected. Fortunate for Chuck and Chris, this happened in a parking lot and

with the help of the "MVT Tech Crew" on the tour that day, they were able to get the steering column back in a safe operating mode to continue the tour and make it home alive.

- Stan Seto - for continuing on the FOG tour after he was rear-ended with sheet metal damage to the rear of his TR3

Officer's Reports

President's Report



What's Old Is New Again

John Coutant

Ever wonder what the Triumph clubs (including MVT) were talking about in the 70's and 80's? Take a look at some of the old newsletters either from TRA or MVT (we have a few scanned in the Marque archives). You'll find a lot of discussion about spare parts as especially the TR2-3s were getting old and it was a challenge to find either used or new replacement parts. Recently I think we have all become too complacent with the availability of parts from several suppliers just a few clicks away on the computer. Now with the issues from COVID and supply chain issues some parts are becoming not available. It's hard to know what parts and for how long. I waited for 6 months for headlight trim rings (the old ones were rusting and cracked), still waiting on the Pertronix ignition, and Wendell was on the hunt for a TR250 voltage regulator. So fair warning, make sure you have those needed parts way ahead of time if possible and don't get caught out at the last moment. If you

do, give a shout out to the club members and maybe someone will be able to help you out.

Hints of Spring are here. Last two days have been in the 50's and 60's and I have had a chance to get out in the garage and finish up some things on the Volvo 1800E. The TR3A is ready to go since the clutch replacement and I even started it up and drove it out on the driveway for Drive Your Triumph Day on February 10th. It was a bit discouraging though to see all the photos from warm places of everyone taking their cars out for nice drives in the warm weather.

MVT activities start to ramp up in March. It may be a bit cold and rainy to drive our cars but we're thinking about it. There are enough warmish days to get the spring tune-up done in preparation. The main activity in March is our annual March banquet. COVID has put the damper on this celebration for the last two years but we are celebrating on Saturday March 12th at Franco's Ristorante in Dayton. Chris White has done a great job organizing this and hopefully all of you who are coming have gotten your RSVP back to her by the time you read this.

The March Banquet is also the time when elections for officers and voting for club recognition awards are announced. Nominations were opened at the December meeting at the Soiree, continued to be open through the January meeting and were closed at the end of the February meeting. Voting opened at that time and concludes at the March meeting. The slate of officers was unopposed but there are multiple nominations for some of the club awards. Make sure to get your votes into our secretary, Clyde Collins, or bring your ballot to the March meeting.

The situation with regard to COVID-19 continues to evolve as expected. The spike of infections with the Omicron variant is decreasing and also any hospitalizations. As warmer weather sets in I expect levels will drop significantly. We are moving towards dealing with COVID as endemic. This doesn't mean that we will not see a spike next fall as cold weather sets in and need to be careful but, like flu, we need to keep vaccinated and be smart. We hopefully will see more of our events return to normal, one of the first will be TRA 2022 in June in Gettysburg, PA.

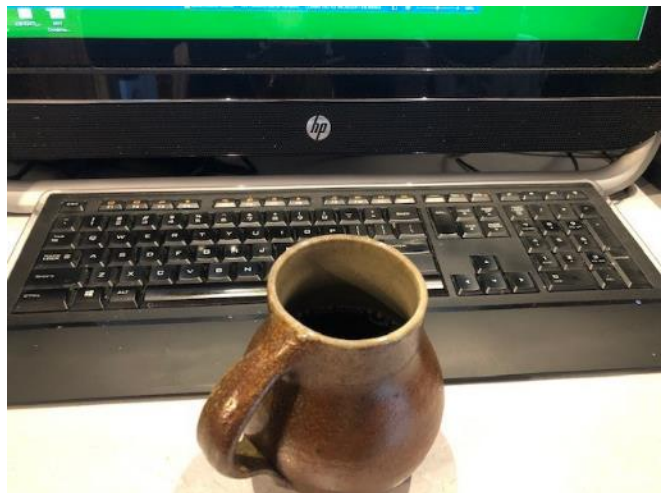
Vice President's Report



Nothing from Chuck this month except I did see him by the TR6 on "Drive your Triumph Day" - please send him some tires and wheels...

Not Chuck White

Marque Editor's Report



Got a little behind the power curve (BTW - that is a jet aviator's term...) this month, and I am finishing up this Marque on the day it is due. As with last month it's a bit shorter due to not as much tech stuff, but I am sure that will turn around with the coming of spring. I did pretty much get Old Paint ready to drive, just need the weather.

Oh, pls keep the articles coming!

Cheers - Bruce

Treasurer's Report



As of 1 February 2022, the club account had an account balance of \$3967.29. For the month of February, the club's income was from the 50/50 for \$11.00. For the month of February, the club's expenses were \$254.00 to Wright Patt Hobby shop for acrylic awards and \$250.00 for award gift cards. As of 1 March the club's balance is \$3474.29.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry Mage.

(Ed Note - budget is on the last page)

Membership Chair Report

You will note from the membership number below that our total is now one less. Glenn Meade, who came to an MVT monthly meeting in August 2019 and joined our club on the spot, passed away in October 2021. (My apologies for the late notice, but I only recently became aware of Glenn's passing.) Glenn was quite personable, attended a few more meetings, and renewed his membership in May of 2020. We hope that whoever purchased his 1974 Triumph loves it as much as Glenn did. The MTV website reflects a newly revised membership roster.

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Valerie Relue

Events Chair Report



I detect Spring

Okay, so as I type this it is 24F outside, but the Sun is out and the day will warm - I also detect warmer days around the corner. All the TR's are seemingly ready to go, and even the Z4 is finally getting back from the paint shop after waiting a few months for parts.

Thanks again to Chris White for putting the Award's Banquet together at Franco's. That was stepping up to the plate. Beyond that, we do have a TRA 2023 planning meeting on the calendar as well as a tech session. No takers for it yet - I'll have to talk that up at the meeting on the 2nd. If not, I might have to have one here for changing oil or something like that.

Speaking of events....

MVT Events Calendar

Past

February 2022

2- MVT Monthly Membership Meeting

Adjourn Meeting called to order 7:30 with 16 members and 0 guests signed in

Opening Remarks- Chuck White presides as John Coutant is at home and joins us by video. A toast to John and family was raised.

Request for Changes / Additions to Agenda – None

Introduction of Guests/New Members – none

Officer Reports:

President John: Absent but on video

VP report: Chuck says none.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Mague reports a balance of \$ 3713.29 on February 2, 2022.

Secretary's Report: Correction to reported minutes was that Jody won the January raffle. Chuck White moved to approve, 2nd by Scott, approved by all members

Membership: Val Relue reports 50 members and is busy as always.

Events: Bruce Clough reports that the previous evening a group met to baseline a 2022 Events Schedule and discussed these. Chuck & Chris manage selection of Franco's for March awards event. Thanks from all. Note - Wine Flashmobs could occur at any time:

February: 2- MVT at Archers; 10- Drive Your Triumph Day, Sir John Black's B'day. Request pictures.; 13- Superbowl party at house of Bruce 5:30; 21- Valentine event at Chop House

March: 2- MVT at Archers; 12- Awards Banquet at Franco's. Thanks to White family for setup.; 26- Tech session at Bruce's for Stan's flasher and electric checkup.

April: 6- MVT at Archers; TRA 2023 planning; 23- Tech Session; 30- Spring Drive

May: 4- MVT at Archers; Donut Tour; 14- Tech Session; Other Tour TBA

June: 1 - MVT at Archers; 20- TRA Gettysburg; Mid-Ohio racing; British Car Day meeting

July: 6- MVT at Archers; MVT Volunteer Drive; 24 - Pool-less Pool Party?

August: 3- MVT at Archers; 6 - Dayton BCD

September: 7- MVT at Archers; Cincinnati Club event - Cincinnati British Car Day; Farm Tour

October: 5- MVT at Archers; Hay Ride; Hocking Hills Fall Tour

November: 2- MVT at Archers; Guy Fawkes Tour

December: 3- Holiday Soiree and Dec Business Meeting - Queen of Apostles Community, Bergamo. Will need volunteers to help - list will be sent out; MVT Christmas Dinner

Standing Committee Reports

Technical: Bruce, none

Memorabilia: Email Harry if interested. Looking for new ideas. Stan suggests custom license plate holders.

Spare Parts: Chris Yanity had handout of vendors for upgrading and rebuilding. Clyde mentions usefulness of list and if website can accommodate this kind of knowledge.

Marque: Chuck - Marque is very good. Bruce asked for new articles

Website: John Coutant- website is current.

Other: TRA 2023 - continued study of TRA 2023 sites - possibly at Hueston Woods and need for planning group soon. Lodging accommodations such as large meeting rooms and other

requirements are part of the ongoing considerations. Shawnee State park is not good. Expect a decision to bring to the club in the next month.

Old Business

Election nominees are John Coutant as President, Clyde Collins as Secretary, and Harry Mague as Treasurer.

Continuing nominations and additional nominees for MVT awards are –

- Keep It On The Road: John Clifford
- Most Improved: Jeff John
- Press On Regardless: Chuck White
- Marque of Distinction: Bruce Clough

Bruce also nominated Stan Seto for Keep it on the Road, Chuck 2nd motion. Stan was also nominated for Press on Regardless - that was seconded.

Please include detailed descriptions and details of each nomination.

John Coutant will send out an email about e-voting.

New Business

Stan notes that signage to BCD needs improvement and moves to initiate process for flags or banners for BCD. 2nd by Mark Sentner. Stan will report findings and more detail.

Good of the Club

Stan notes that updated forms for BCD registration are not yet done and other related registrations will appear on our Website when available.

50-50 Raffle - \$11 to Bruce

Adjourn – 8:11 PM

Respectfully submitted, Clyde Collins

10 - Drive Your Triumph Day



John Driving his TR

Thanks to all the MVT'ers that participated in this. I think I saw a bunch of MVT'ers posting on Facebook they were in their car, either driving it, or wishing they were. Just a month or so and we will be taking them for a little bit longer cruises!

13 - Superbowl Party @ Chateau COC

Okay, so the Bengals gave it a good go, but ran out of steam there at the end. Thanks to all those who came over and brought such fantastic food. Next year we'll bring back all the contests, and maybe the Bengals will have an offensive line so the "number of sacks" records won't be tied or broken...

20 - Valentine's Day Dinner

What a great time we had at the Chop House on the 20th. As you can tell from the picture below, the only thing left were the potato skins! A table full of people, good food, good drinks, and the fireplace behind us was providing good warmth. Ask Chuck about the Ribeyes...



Burp

Future

March 2022

2- MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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Agenda - March 2, 2022

Opening Remarks and Welcome – **John**

Request for Changes and Additions to the Agenda - **John**

Introduction of Guests/New Members – **John/Guests**

Officers Reports

- President – **John**
- Vice-President – **Chuck**
- Treasurer – **Harry**
- Secretary – **Clyde**
 - Approval of February's Minutes as published in the Marque
- Membership Chair – **Valerie**
- Events Chair – **Bruce**
 - Summary of past events
 - March banquet – **Chris White**
 - Upcoming events other than banquet

Standing Committee Reports

- Technical – **Bruce**
- Marque – **Bruce**
- Spare Parts – **Chris**
- Website – **John**

Other

- Memorabilia – **Harry**

Event Committee Reports

- TRA 2023 – **Bruce**

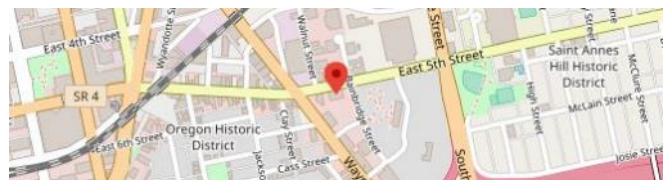
Old Business - **John**

- Closure of voting for - MVT Awards - Keep it on the Road, Most Improved, Press on Regardless, and Marque of Distinction.

New Business

Split the Pot

Adjourn



12 - MVT Awards Banquet - Franco's Ristorante Italiano, 824 E Fifth Street, Dayton OH

After a two year hiatus due to COVID, the annual Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, 12 March 2022 at Franco's Ristorante Italiano, (824 E. Fifth St., Dayton, OH 45402). Chris White has stepped in and done a great job in finding a new venue and working with Franco's to set up the menu and other details. Chris worked with Franco's to develop our menu that offers a limited choice of entrées and is attached for your information.

The annual Banquet is a chance to socialize with everyone after a long winter's hibernation, celebrate the last year with recognizing the contributions of everyone and especially those who receive one of the club awards. As a reminder, MVT covers the cost of the dinner for each member (or 2 members of a family membership) supported by everyone's contributions, especially from Dayton British Car Day.

NOTICE

Franco's does require a firm head count. It is important that members RSVP to Chris White's email address: midgen54@gmail.com, no later than Monday, 28 February with a head count.

Those attending are request to arrive by 6:30 pm. The wait staff will take dinner orders approximately at 7pm. Announcement of awards and elections will be after the conclusion of dinner.

17 - TRA 2023 Committee Meeting - Zemore's Bistro, 4457 W Franklin St, Bellbrook, OH 45305. Meeting will start at 6:30 - be there a bit earlier if you want to eat anything. If you are coming pls give Bruce a head's-up.

26 - Tech Session - Still looking for a victim for this - please get in touch with the Events Chair if you need help!

April 2022

3 - First Wine Flashmob - CCW

6 - MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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TBD - TRA 2023 Trip

23 - Spring Classic Driving Tour X - Cincinnati Motoring Society

23 - Possible Tech Session

30 - Drive to Miller's Dry Goods - Adams County

May 2022

4 - MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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7 - Tour d'donut?

14 - Tech Session for TRA - Chateau COC

21 - Charles A Runyon Memorial Run 2022 Armagh, PA, Dan Mabron (800) 234-1104 @ The Roadster Factory. <http://www.the-roadster-factory.com>

June 2022

1 - MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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12 - Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance - Ault Park

20 - 24 Triumph Register of America National Meeting - Gettysburg, PA.

Registration is now open for TRA 2022! The website for TRA 2022, www.miamivalleytriumphs.org/tra-2022, is now active. There you can find all the information about TRA 2022 including tentative events, the host hotel and how to reserve rooms, and, most importantly, how to register for TRA 2022. You can register and

pay online or, if you prefer, print a registration form and send in via mail with a check.

Mason-Dixon Triumphs and the TRA 2022 Committee have organized what they hope will be a fun event in an historic setting. We look forward to seeing old friends (after too long an interval) and making new friends. For questions contact us at masondixontriumphs@gmail.com.



Gettysburg
2022 NATIONAL MEET

JUNE 20-24TH, 2022 ★ GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA
Hosted by: Mason-Dixon Center of Triumph Register of America

HOST HOTEL
EISENHOWER HOTEL
and Conference Center
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

MORE INFORMATION TO COME
WWW.TRIUMPHREGISTER.COM

EVENTS TO DATE

- TRA Concours d'Elegance Car Show
- Participants Choice Car Show
- Parts Auction
- Driving tours
- Self guided venues and attractions
- Gettysburg National Military Park
- Eisenhower National Historic Site
- Farnsworth House Inn & Tours
- The Lincoln Train Museum
- The Outlet Shoppes at Gettysburg

The MVT Plans are to leave the local area on the 18th, stay overnight at Tygart State Resort Park in WV, and arrive in Gettysburg on the 19th. We have not solidified plans for the drive back at this time. We will avoid interstates as much as possible.

26 - June 26, 2022 - Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN - Michiana Brits Annual British Car Show The Michiana Brits British Car Enthusiasts Club invites you to join them at the Michiana Brits 34th Annual British Car Show. This highly popular all-marque show is on the beautiful campus of Saint Mary's College on the north side of South Bend, IN, across the street from the University of Notre Dame. The Featured Marque is the MGB Chrome Bumper Roadster. Judging will be by popular vote, with awards given for each class and Best in Show. The entry fee is \$25 per vehicle, and for club members who have their Michiana Brits membership.

Open to the general public 10 AM - 3 PM, free admission & parking. Entrants may register at the show or pre-register at the Michiana Brits website, www.michianabrits.com.

23-26 - SVRA @ Mid-Ohio

July 2022

6 - MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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17 - High Summer Run - Location TBD - need someone to run this

24 - PPP?

August 2022

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5 - BCD Set-up at Eastwood Metro Park - Be at the park after 6pm to set up for BCD. We pack registration bags as well as set up parking.



6 - Dayton BCD - Assuming we are on! I will add details as I get them - this will be a blaze of activity, so hold on and please volunteer to help!

?? - NCTA BCD?

27 - Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival 4 - Details forthcoming.

29 - 1 September - Vintage Triumph Register National Meeting - Eagle Ridge Resort and Spa - Galena IL. MVT is planning a significant presence, so watch this space!



It's back! - <https://www.vtr2022.org/>

September 2022

7 - MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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?? - Cincinnati BCD

24 - Farm Tour (might also be time Bob Pool Orphan Auto show...) - Touch base with mum lady

October 2022

1 - Hay Ride???

5 - MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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8 - Autumn Classic Driving Tour - Cincinnati Motoring Society

TRA 2023 Trip

TBD - Hocking Hills Tour (will be mid-week)

November 2022

2 - MVT Monthly Membership Meeting - Archers Tavern Kettering, 2030 E Dorothy Ln, Kettering, OH 45420, (937) 291-1015. We are in the meeting room off the bar at the front of the tavern. We have dinner and socializing at 6:30PM and the president usually ruins our fun by starting a meeting at 7:30PM.

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5 - Guy Fawkes Tour & Burning

13 - Last Wine Flashmob - CCW

December 2022

3 - Holiday Soiree and December MVT Business Meeting

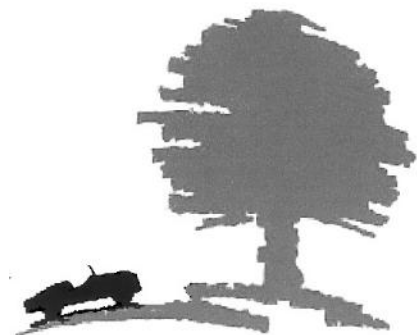
Dayton British Car Day

The newly formed Flag Committee has made progress this month. Information concerning the MVT flag bought was obtained from Greg Relue and a recommendation for a Dayton company that can supply flags was obtained from Clyde Collins

(to be followed up on shortly). Yet to do in the short term is a discussion with the MG Club.

Stan, Committee Chair

TRA 2023



Time to start ramping up thoughts and actions for TRA 2023. I would like us to head out to Hueston Woods one day to look around the property. I have been playing phone tag with Susan Chapin, the sales manager there. I promise to make connections before the meeting on the 2nd. I'm thinking the week of March 21st since Miami U is on spring break that week and the crowds around town will be a bit less.

I scheduled a TRA Committee meeting on March 17th at Zemore's to start the process rolling again. I would like to give them a head count, so if you are planning on coming pls let me know.

Also - if you were on the committee for TRA 20/21 I'm going to grandfather you into 23 unless you want out - I'm sneaky like that.

TRA 2023 Chair Bruce

Technical Talk

Edited by Bruce Clough



Dogs Chase Car Parts

Clyde Collins

MVT dogs Clyde and Mark Shaner chased an advertisement for Triumph parts and caught it. Now what? Included were Big Healy parts, a couple trucks full. After loading and unloading, then sorting, the reality of what to do with the lot weighed heavy. Fortunately another respondent to the original add saw another man's treasure in our junk. Tom from Britishmiles.com came in from Philly for the piles so in the end we all had some good stuff for small money. I like his website and will look for parts there.

Lessons learned:

- Storage of valuable junk is still hard, nobody else wants to store it either
- Have a plan and timetable for getting rid of extra stuff, takes weeks
- Leave enough good stuff to attract another buyer,
- Bend over backward to move whole lot and reward (tip) them who make it possible.

My big score? A better small mouth front for TR 2 and bonnet.



What's Old Is New Again

John Coutant

Can you tell what car the part in the picture below came from? No, probably not and the reason is that in the 50's, 60's, and 70's manufactures were still making cars with parts sourced from independent suppliers. This was especially true of British cars as things like lights and other common

items were taken from a bin and used on a number of cars. Just go to Moss Motors and select an item like the little chrome ring that goes around the front indicator lamp and then click on the tab "Where Used" and you'll find 23 cars/models where the same part is used. And this is just the cars that Moss covers and doesn't even begin to represent other makes and models where the same part is used.

So what? Well when you are looking for a part and your friendly supplier is out, expand your horizons a bit and look at suppliers for other makes you might not consider to see what you can find.



As for the picture, it is a headlight bucket assembly from my Volvo 1800 – identical to the one in my TR3A. As I did some minor body work on the right side and had to remove all the lights on that side, I took the opportunity to replace the rubber seals and other components. I could have gotten them from a Volvo parts supplier but Moss was easier (and probably cheaper). So now I am in the process of renewing the left side seals and parts for the headlight/indicator light

Well, they finally got here!

Bruce Clough

When I moved the battery to the trunk on Old Paint I had to take off the passenger-side rear trim piece that is just outboard of the top frame. I think I wrote at the time that the piece was water-damaged and the trim screws actually were rusted to the trim piece. But wait, it gets better.

To get at that side piece I had to remove the back trim piece, also damaged. While I was at it, I also just removed the driver's side panel, or what remained of it - I couldn't even come out in one piece - came out in three, or maybe more.



Passenger side panel - bad picture since you can see the holes left from pulling the trim screws out. Not in the best shape

The panels are made of thin pressboard covered in cheap carpet, the same carpet that covers the flat space up and behind the seats where the top lays when down. Looking around the house I had nothing comparable, and there wasn't anything close available through hardware or hobby stores. Resorting the original panels wasn't an option, although I did glue the back piece back together and flattened the passenger side piece to make a pattern if I needed it.

It just so happened that Rimmers sells these as a set, and it also happened they were on backorder (go figure), but I ordered a set anyway on the hopes they would show up before spring. I also made a set of panel pieces from pegboard, traced out from the old pieces, but secretly hoped the ones on order would arrive before I had to use these.

Rather than carpet covering, Alice just found some vinyl material that complimented the color of the carpet. Not original, but cheaper and easier to work with.



The cardboard under the passenger side panel - holes and cracks easier to see - this was as I was wetting it to flatten and use as a template

Fortunately, the ones from Rimmers got to me before I used my backups. Even though they were supposedly pre-made for the TR7, nothing fits perfectly and I had to hand-fit each panel.

I loved the optimism of Rimmers - they even provided holes for the screws on the back panel. Since the screws are all hand fitted, none of those holes lined up with anything - oh well, there is always hope I guess.

I made a couple of changes to how I put these back on beyond using vinyl for carpet:

- Reduced the trim screw count on the back panel center from four to two. Not sure why a decorative panel needed all those screws, maybe support for the screw manufacturer?
- Put the back panel on first. I've never needed to remove a back panel to get at anything, but I have had to remove the side panels on a wedge from time to time. Silly to have to take the back off to do that. Fixed it.

Putting it back in was pretty much without drama. Spray contact glue to attach the vinyl, a couple of awls to locate holes, and some new upholstery screws from Lowes. The only thing I didn't do was to trim the excess from the bottom of the car's top - when it was replaced they didn't trim the excess very well and it now hangs over the new trim pieces a bit in the back. I'm not messing with it...



New trim pieces in place covering up some uglies...

Oh, I also set the alignment for the front tires, so now I just need another 60+F day to go take this on a cruise to see how well the new front suspension pieces are working.

MVT Memorabilia

The Club has the following fantastic, wonderful memorabilia for sale. Show your colors in public, on your car or on you! Look at all we have:



MVT Enamel Car Badge - \$30.00



MVT Cloth Patch - \$12.00



MVT Window Sticker - \$1.00



MVT Pin - \$5.00



MVT Magnetic Signs – these can be easily cut so they are round. They are 12"x12", 11" in diameter if cut round. - \$12



MVT Car Flag - \$5.00

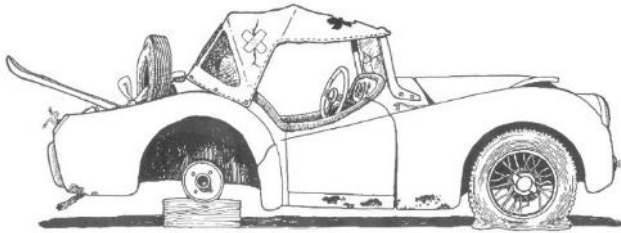


They look very spiffy on a TR7...

All the memorabilia is available at each Club meeting upon request. Please contact our MVT Memorabilia Manger, Harry Mague harrymaque@aol.com

Classifieds

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Hardtop for Sale -Triumph TR6 Snugtop Custom Hardtop:

- Black -Built in Long Beach, California
- Factory Mint Condition inside and out, weather stripping, glass ,headliner etc.
- Ready to bolt on and go
- Hardware included -Price Negotiable

Also have the following: TR2-3B Hardtop ,Black original steel , no dents ,needs paint and headliner-\$300, TR3-3A rear seat and bracket ,black , good condition , 2 available -\$100 each, TR3-3B bare side curtain frames, Dzus mount-\$50 pr., Original Smiths Heater assembly complete TR2-3B ,2 available \$200 each o.b.o. Additional parts available - pls inquire.

ROBERT BENTLEY Triumph TR7 1975-81 Repair Operation Manual, Haynes TR7 1975-81 Repair Manual , Rare and detailed British Leyland Repair Operation Manual printed January 1977) Sold as a set of 3 -\$75

Inquire at tryanity@gmail.com .

Wanted - a TR 2-4 engine for display at British Transportation Museum. Not running, complete as possible and free or cheap. A project of Giuseppe. Clyde Collins - cyaclyde@outlook.com

For Sale - I just looked at a 1974-1976 ? TR6 WITH Pete Stroble from British Transportation Museum to settle the estate of Glenn Meade, He belonged to MVT and was at the British car show with the car a couple years ago. Car is in decent original shape. New tires, burgundy with light tan seats 72,000 mi.

Call Adam Spacht (513) 309- 6959. Thanks, Scott Huey

Wanted - We are looking for a treadmill and thought we would ask here first. If anyone has one they were thinking parting with, let us know. Thank you - Jeff Barth

For Sale - fun personal items. Guarantee a good time with these. Contact Harry



Purposed Budget 2022 Miami Valley Triumphs

Expenses

| <u>Description</u> | <u>Month</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> | <u>2021P</u> | <u>2021A</u> | <u>2022P</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Awards Banquet | March | \$1354.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1500.00 |
| Year End Awards | March | \$445.00 | \$674.00 | \$250.00 | \$250.00* | \$450.00 |
| Club Liability Insurance | April | \$225.00 | \$250.00 | \$250.00 | \$250.00 | \$250.00 |
| Summer Party | August | \$270.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$270.00 | \$400.00 |
| Web Hosting | July | \$210.00 | \$242.00 | \$250.00 | \$338.00 | \$350.00 |
| Post Office Box | August | \$106.00 | \$118.00 | \$120.00 | \$146.00 | \$150.00 |
| Donations | Yearly | \$150.00 | \$150.00 | \$200.00 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 |
| Christmas Party | December | \$148.00 | \$0.00 | \$160.00 | \$245.00 | \$300.00 |
| Misc Expense** | Yearly | <u>\$133.00</u> | <u>\$570.00</u> | <u>\$200.00</u> | <u>\$70.00</u> | <u>\$190.00</u> |
| Summary | | \$3041.00 | \$2004.00 | \$1430.00 | \$1569.00 | \$3690.00 |

Income

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|-------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Membership Dues | Yearly | \$870.00 | \$995.00 | \$900.00 | \$105.00 | \$1000.00 |
| BCD Final Payout | October | \$2000.00 | \$0.00 | \$1500.00 | \$1500.00 | \$2000.00 |
| 50/50 | Yearly | \$207.00 | \$45.00 | \$150.00 | \$87.00 | \$200.00 |
| Brown Bag Receipt | January | \$231.00 | \$107.00 | \$150.00 | \$151.00 | \$190.00 |
| Misc Income** | Yearly | <u>\$317.00</u> | <u>\$119.00</u> | <u>\$250.00</u> | <u>\$340.00</u> | <u>\$300.00</u> |
| Summary | | \$3625.00 | \$1266.00 | \$2950.00 | 2183.00 | \$3690.00 |

Actual Club Financial Status

| <u>Year</u> | <u>January 1st</u> | <u>December 31st</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 2019 | \$3658.83 | \$4243.80 (584.97) |
| 2020 | \$4243.86 | \$3491.06 (\$739.94) |
| 2021 | \$3491.06 | \$4105.21 (\$614.23) |

*The acrylic awards to be presented for 2020 were purchased early. The expense for 2021 was only for gift cards.

**Misc Income and Expense include: Memorabilia, name tags, Marque Mailing, extra BCD Shirts and other misc income.